

FEB 1952

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

CLASSIFICATION

SECRET

SECURITY INFORMATION

INFORMATION REPORT

REPORT NO.

25X1A

CD NO.

COUNTRY USSR (Caucasus)/Iran

DATE DISTR. 16 July 1952

SUBJECT Soviet Activity in the Astara Area of the Soviet-Iranian Border

NO. OF PAGES 1

DATE OF INFO.

NO. OF ENCLS.
(LISTED BELOW)

25X1A

PLACE ACQUIRED

SUPPLEMENT TO
REPORT NO.

25X1X

1. Beginning 29 May 1952 Soviet frontier officers and enlisted men in the Astara area of the Soviet-Iranian border switched to a new color uniform described as being greener than the uniform worn previously. The new uniform is believed to be of summer weight.
2. On the mountain side in the Anuz area approximately 35 Soviet frontier troops have been occupied felling trees since 12 May. It is believed that this is preliminary to digging a new furrowed strip along the border between Anuz and Khanbulaghi, a distance of eight kilometers.
3. Soviet Colonel Polki has been frequently observed during the latter part of May at the Alasha and Qermazi frontier posts.
4. In the Soviet frontier areas of Artapa, Sonjedi, Archvan, and Masjed Mahalleh rice cultivation is being conducted exclusively by women. It has also been observed that there are fewer tractors in use in these areas as compared with previous years.
5. During the latter part of May increased Soviet naval activity has been observed off Soviet Astara. Armed Soviet ships patrolling the coast near the frontier sometimes appear approximately one kilometer from each other.

CLASSIFICATION

SECRET

NEA

STATE #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NAVY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSRB		DISTRIBUTION														
ARMY #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AIR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FBI																